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#### LUNCHEON

Thursday, June 24, Toots Shor's, 51 West 51st Street.

Cocktails at noon ----- Luncheon at 12:30 P. M. SHARP

Members: \$2.75 ---- Guests \$3.25, tip and tax included

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#### BEHIND THE BAMBOO CURTAIN

Program Committee Chairman PAT LOCHRIDGE HARTWELL announces that Bishop Quentin K.Y. Huang, who was imprisoned by the Chinese Communists and later escaped to the U.S., will address the Overseas Press Club at a luncheon on June 24. Bishop Huang, the first Chinese to be consecrated a bishop in the U.S., will speak on "Red Erosion in China's Ancient Land." (continued on page 2)

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PREVIEW OF COMING EVENT: There will be a cocktail party at the air-conditioned press lounge at the U.N. on July 1 from 5:00 to 7:30 P.M. A ranking diplomat will give a brief

talk.

BULGING PRESS CORPS IN INDO-CHINA

Here's a recent report from JOHN RODERICK, AP correspondent in Saigon, on the doings of his fellow-travelers-to-the-far-places now in Indo-China:

"Since April, Indo China's seven-year war, which had until then remained fairly well neglected, burst into world prominence with the battle of Dienbienphu. Foreign correspondents from all over the Far East, New York, and Europe poured into Hanoi and Saigon. The Hanoi press camp, where AP's Larry Allen is the dean with three years constant occupation, soon was bulging. Among the newsmen on the scene in Indo China were, besides myself, Robert "Pepper" Martin of U.S. News and World Report; HANK LIEBERMAN of the NY Times, filling in for Til Durdin, who hopped off to Geneva; Jim Robinson of NBC; Jim Lucas of Scripps Howard; John Mecklin of Time; Fred Waters and Forrest Edwards of AP who joined the team from Tokyo; Fred Hampson, who came over from AP, Hongkong; Olen Clements, Southeast Asia's AP boss, up from Singapore; INS' Marvin Stone; the Herald Tribune's Maggie Higgins; Keyes Beech of the Chicago Daily News; Quentin Pope of the Chicago Tribune; AP's Bill Ryan, on an Asiatic tour; DAVE SCHOENBRUN, in from Paris for a couple of weeks for CBS, and Bob Capa of Magnum, whose untimely death shocked and saddened the whole correspondents corps.

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Coronet's JOHN BARKHAM, Newsweek's FRANK GIBNEY, and Saturday Evening Post's Editor Ben Hibbs were the speakers for the magazines at the Editor-Educator Conference at Columbia University on June 14 and 15. The conference was part of Columbia's 200th Anniversary Celebration.

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#### NEW MEMBERSHIP APPLICATIONS

ACTIVE:

Florence Norton, managing editor, The Freeman, since January 1953; December 1948 to June 1949, The Reader's Digest, France, Italy, Greece; April to October 1951, Germany, Switzerland, Austria, The Reader's Digest; August to September 1952, Switzerland, Spain, The Reader's Digest; October 1951 to July 1952, managing editor, The American Mercury. Proposed by NORBERT MUHLEN; seconded by EUGENE LYONS.

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H. Walton Cloke, coordinator, public relations, Henry J. Kaiser Company; correspondent with New York Times from April, 1944 to April 1950, with assignments in Philadelphia, New York and Washington offices. Proposed by DALE ARMSTRONG; seconded by WILLIAM P. GRAY.

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The Chairman of the Admissions Committee announces the election to membership in the Overseas Press Club of America of the following candidates:

JOHN LARDNER, contributing editor, Newsweek.

AMADOR A. MARIN, U.S. representative, Argentine Press Association.

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OUR PROLIFIC COLLEAGUES ZANDER HOLLANDER, of the New York World-Telegram and Sun, has just completed "Yankee Batboy" for Prentice-Hall. It will be published at the end of the year... RALPH D. GARDNER had a review of "The Supreme Command," the story of SHAEF from D-Day to V-E Day, in the N.Y. Times Book Review section last week... "Producing Tercentenary Pageants" is the title of the booklet by ADELE GUTMAN NATHAN, just published by the American Jewish Tercentenary Committee ... The flying saucer cult is all stirred up by CHARLOTTE KNIGHT's Collier's piece on "flying saucer" balloons, published in the June 11 issue. Seems they don't believe it ... BEN GROSS, Radio-TV editor of the N.Y. Daily News, was one of the participants in NBC-TV's "Conversation" program last week, and also appeared on the "Tex and Jinx" show.

#### MEMORIAL FUND CAMPAIGN

#### GETS DOSE OF HARTWELL PLASMA

A Last Lap campaign to complete the Memorial Building Fund by the time the new club house opens in September has brought in new pledges of some \$3000. The campaign-within-a-campaign was started by PAT and DICK HARTWELL. Since their own contributions to the Memorial Fund had been made more than a year ago, PAT and DICK decided to make another contribution, the second to be half as much as the first. They asked several other members to do likewise, and the result was the spectacular \$3000 kickoff for the Last Lap.

When WILFRED MAY mentioned the campaign at the luncheon last week, several other members asked to join the contributing group. They were most welcome.

In order to give every member a chance to make a half-again-as-much contribution-or any contribution--PAT and DICK are withholding the names of the contributors. They will be announced in the July 10 Bulletin.

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WHAT'S NEW ( From ELMER LOWER: "I am being transferred to New York AROUND THE ( to take over the newly created job of Manager, News and NETWORKS ( Public Affairs, CBS Television, under Sig Mickelson, ( who is director of the department." Elmer has been with CBS-TV in Washington... NBC's ART SETTEL, Bulletin co-editor, who has been in charge of publicity for the web's News and Special Events Department during the past year, announces that he is hanging out his own shingle on July 1, as a public relations consultant, specializing in TV-Radio and magazine work... Anyone notice that JOHN DALY had Brigitte Friang, luncheon speaker this week, on his Sunday night "What's My Line" show a couple of weeks ago? None of the panelists got her line, although she had been interviewed by Arlene Francis only a few days before.

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Time's RAY STEINBERG had a fast vacation in Cuba with his wife. Reports ( he saw Dick Cushing, Mike Brown, and Sam Summerlin in Havana. Sam is a THERE ( recent father ... BILL GRAY says FRANC SHOR of the National Geographic and his wife, Jean, have written him from Casablanca: "Just finished a 3600-kilometer drive over the desert and back through the Atlas Mountains. Found a

valley in the High Atlas where women can get a divorce by registering their wish with the local French A.I. officer. One lady has had 33 husbands; the officer in charge said he didn't think there was a woman over 25 who hadn't had more than five husbands." LOU CIOFFI of CBS in town with his Japanese bride.

AMONG THOSE PRESENT: There was what might be termed "adequate representation" by OPCers at the Waldorf-Astoria luncheon recently for Adnan Menderes, prime minister of Turkey. The luncheon, which started with pink champagne and ended with strong cigars and stronger liqueurs and cognac, was given by the Turkish Information Service. Club members there included Newsweekers HAL LAVINE and DAVID MURRAY, CBS's LARRY LESUEUR, The Times' MANNY FREEDMAN, and BILL MILLER of Life.

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JACK RAYMOND ON TITO: ) New York Times Belgrade correspondent Jack Raymond told the DICTATOR FEELING OATS) Overseas Press Club last week that Marshal Tito now feels he can project himself into Western affairs.

The correspondent told a luncheon June 11 at Toots Shor's the Marshal feels the West will organize itself sooner or later into an alliance--either outside or inside the U.N., and for this reason has expressed a willingness to join the Balkan Alliance. He added that Tito also wants to show he can make -- and keep -- a commitment, since he has been frequently criticised for accepting commitments and giving none.

> Tito, Raymond said, would be defeated in a free election, if it were held today. The party, however, is trying to pull out of direct intervention in running the country and hopes to accomplish its goals

by persuasion of the people.

Among Club members at the luncheon were: LARRY BLOCHMAN, CHARLES BROWN, HUGH CONWAY, CHARLES CAMPBELL JR., BOB ECKHOUSE, JULIA EDWARDS, EARL EWAN, CHARLES GILLETT, BILL GRAY, PHIL GUSTAFSON, GORDON HAMILTON, PAT and DICK HARTWELL, MARY HORNADAY, JOE ISRAELS, CHARLES KINSOLVING, HAL LEHRMAN, LOUIS LOCHNER, GEORGE MACDONALD, MEL MOST, DAVID MURRAY, BOB PEARSON, DAN REGAN, SIGRID SCHULTS, WILFRED MAY, ART SETTEL, IRENE TAYLOR, JAMES L. WICK, EMMANUEL FREEDMAN, and JEWEL De BONILLA.

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